The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Previously Presented) A method implemented in a computing device for extending the feel of a screen display to a housing that surrounds the screen display, said method comprising:

    sampling a plurality of regions of the screen display to acquire color indicators for the plurality of regions; and

    changing the color of one or more regions of the housing based on the color indicators of one or more sampled regions of the screen display in order to extend the feel of the screen display to the housing that surrounds the screen display.

21. (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 20, wherein the computing device includes a plurality of light elements located within the housing of the computing device, and

    wherein said color change of the housing is implemented by illuminating a plurality of regions of the housing of the computing device based on the color indicators, said illuminating including driving the light elements to illuminate the plurality of the regions of the housing of the computing device.

22. (Original) A method as recited in claim 21, wherein each of the plurality of regions on the screen display that are sampled correspond to one of the light elements.

23. (Original) A method as recited in claim 21, wherein the plurality of regions on the display screen are associated with a configuration, and wherein the plurality of the regions of the housing being illuminated are associated with the configuration.

24. (Original) A method as recited in claim 21,

    wherein the plurality of regions on the screen display are arranged in a first configuration, and

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wherein the plurality of the regions of the housing of the computing device are substantially arranged in the first configuration.

25.   (Original) A method as recited in claim 24, wherein the number of the plurality of the regions of the housing is the same as the number of the plurality of the regions of the housing of the computing device.

26.   (Original) A method as recited in claim 21, wherein each of the light elements is capable of producing colored light.

27.   (Original) A method as recited in claim 26, wherein each of the light elements comprises a plurality of different colored Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs).

28.   (Original) A method as recited in claim 20, the computing device is a general purpose computer.

29.   (Original) A method as recited in claim 28, wherein the housing of the computing device houses at least the screen display at a front portion thereof, and

wherein the plurality of regions of the housing being illuminated are provided on a rear portion of the housing of the computing device.

30.   (Original) A method as recited in claim 28, wherein the housing of the computing device houses at least a microprocessor, memory and input/output ports for the general purpose computer.

31.   (Original) A method as recited in claim 20, wherein the computing device is chosen from the group consisting of: display device, computer base, mobile computing device, printer, copier, and facsimile machine.

32.   (Previously Presented) A method of extending the feel of a display screen to a housing that surrounds the display screen, the housing being separated into a plurality of independent illuminable zones, each of the zones having a light element that is disposed inside the housing in the area of the illuminable zone, said method comprising:

associating regions of the display screen to particular illuminable zones;

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determining color indicators for a plurality of regions on the screen display that are associated with the illuminable zones; and

illuminating the illuminable zones of the housing based on the color indicators of the regions associated therewith, the illumination being provided by light from the light element of the particular illuminable zone, the illumination colorizing the illuminable zone of the housing in conjunction with the color of the associated region of said extending the feel of said display screen.

33. (Original) A method as recited in claim 32, the computing device is a general purpose computer.

34. (Previously Presented) A method for illuminating a housing of a computing system, the computing system having a screen display, said method comprising:

providing illuminable regions to the housing around and adjacent the screen display;

mapping illuminable regions of the housing to regions of the screen display;

sampling regions of the screen display to acquire color indicators; and

colorizing the illuminable regions of the housing in accordance with the acquired color indicators mapped thereto in order to extend the feel of the screen display to the housing, said colorizing including illuminating the illuminable regions with light from one or more light elements located at each of the illuminable regions of the housing.

35. (Original) A method as recited in claim 34, wherein the housing of the computing system being illuminated houses at least a microprocessor, memory and input/output ports.

36. (Original) A method as recited in claim 34, wherein the housing of the computing system being illuminated houses at least the screen display.

37. (Original) A method as recited in claim 34, the computing system is a general purpose computer.

38. (Original) A method as recited in claim 34, wherein said method is periodically performed such that the regions of the housing being illuminated are color matched with the regions of the screen display.

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